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**MS PATENT APPLICATION**

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: FIXING MECHANISM BETWEEN CORE AND COVER OF PERIPHERAL  
STORAGE DEVICE

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Seventeen (17) pages
- Eleven (11) sheet(s) formal drawings
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 092211671 filed in Taiwan, R.O.C. on June 26, 2003.
  - Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
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- Executed Declaration ( Original  Photocopy)

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- An assignment of the invention
- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- Other:
- Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
- Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

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